TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 3268 - SB 3250

April 1, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (016102, 016328): Amendment 016328 adds language stating this legislation does not apply to the Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System (TCRS). Amendment 016102 adds language exempting full-time and part-time instructors in the Department of Commerce and Insurance from the bill.

FISCAL IMPACT OF CORRECTED BILL:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$37,800

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$4,300

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000*

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Increase State Expenditures – Exceeds \$25,000

Increase Local Expenditures – Exceeds \$100,000*

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- According to the Department of Treasury, exempting TCRS will remove the estimated increase of one additional firefighter who would have received a disability benefit under the original legislation.
- According to the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the original bill is estimated to increase the number of firefighters who receive a death benefit by at least one per year. The increase in state expenditures is estimated to be at least one death benefit of \$25,000. Exempting instructors will not change the number of persons estimated to qualify for a death benefit.

^{*}Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

• Local government expenditures are estimated to increase due to additional workers' compensation claims. This increase is estimated to be in excess of \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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